

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2576, H2576–77, H2587, H2587–88, H2602–03, H2621, H2629, H2629–30, H2638–39, H2639–40, and H2653–54.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food Safety and on the Secretary of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Dan Glickman, Secretary; and Michael Taylor, Acting Under Secretary, Food Safety and Inspection Service.

### **ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works and Chief of Engineers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: H. Martin Lancaster, Assistant Secretary, Civil Works; and Lt. Gen. Arthur E. Williams, USA, Chief of Engineers.

### **FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Haiti. Testimony was heard from Alexander Watson, Assistant Secretary, Inter-American Affairs, Department of State.

### **NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Foreign Intelligence Program. Testimony was heard from John M. Deutch, Director, CIA.

The subcommittee also held a hearing on Ballistic Missile Defense. Testimony was heard from Lt. Gen. Malcolm R. O'Neill, USA, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense, Department of Defense.

### **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Testimony was heard

from Ricardo Martinez, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation.

### **OVERSIGHT—BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING; AND THE U.S. MINT**

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy oversight hearing on the Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and the U.S. Mint. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Larry Rolufs, Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and Philip Diehl, Director, U.S. Mint.

### **ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET SUBMISSION**

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the Administration's fiscal year 1997 budget submission. Testimony was heard from Alice M. Rivlin, Director, OMB.

### **MERCURY-CONTAINING AND RECHARGEABLE BATTERY MANAGEMENT ACT**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 2024 and S. 619, Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act. Testimony was heard from Michael Shapiro, Director, Office of Solid Waste, EPA; and public witnesses.

### **FEDERAL MANAGEMENT OF THE RADIO SPECTRUM**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance held a hearing on Federal Management of the Radio Spectrum, with emphasis on Advanced Television Spectrum. Testimony was heard from Representative Frank of Massachusetts; Larry Irving, Assistant Secretary, Communications and Information, Department of Commerce; Robert M. Pepper, Chief, Office of Plans and Policy, FCC; David Moore, Senior Analyst, Natural Resources and Commerce Division, CBO; and public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 1227, to amend the Portal-to-Portal Act of 1947 relating to the payment of wages to employees who use employer-owned vehicles; and H.R. 2531, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to clarify the exemption for houseparents from the minimum wage and maximum hours requirements of that Act.

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM**

*Committee on House Oversight:* Held a hearing on Campaign-Finance Reform, with emphasis on Influencing Elections: Political Activity of Labor Unions. Testimony was heard from Tom Durbin and Paige Whitaker, Legislative Attorneys, American Law Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

**IRAN OIL SANCTIONS ACT**

*Committee on International Relations:* Ordered reported amended H.R. 3107, Iran Oil Sanctions Act of 1996.

**NICARAGUA—CURRENT ISSUES**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing to review current issues in Nicaragua. Testimony was heard from Representative Díaz-Balart; John Hamilton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Central America, Department of State; Mark L. Schneider, Assistant Administrator, Latin America and the Caribbean, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and a public witness.

**OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on Fetal Death or Dangerous Deception? The Effects of Anesthesia During a Partial-Birth Abortion. Testimony was heard from Representative Coburn; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2092, Private Security Officer Quality Assurance Act of 1995; H.R. 2137, amended, Megan's Law; H.R. 2453, amended, Fugitive Detention Act of 1995; H.R. 2641, amended, United States Marshals Service Improvement Act of 1995; H.R. 2803, Anti-Car Theft Improvements Act of 1995; H.R. 2974, amended, Crimes Against Children and Elderly Persons Punishment and Prevention Act of 1995; H.R. 2980, amended, Interstate Stalking Punishment and Prevention Act of 1996; H.R. 2996, amended, Law Enforcement and Industrial Security Cooperation Act of 1996; and H.R. 3120, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to witness retaliation, witness tampering and jury tampering.

**NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities continued hearings on national defense authorization, with emphasis on the military construction budget request. Testimony

was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Installations and Environment; RAdm. David J. Nash, USN, Commander, Facilities Engineering Command; RAdm. G. Dennis Vaughn, USN, Deputy Director, Naval Reserve; and Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Braaten, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics, Marine Corps; the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: Jimmy G. Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Installations; Maj. Gen. Eugene A. Lupia, USAF, Civil Engineer; Brig. Gen. Paul A. Weaver, USAF, Deputy Director, Air National Guard; and Brig. Gen. John A. Bradley, USAF, Deputy to the Chief, Air Force Reserve.

**RESERVE FORCES REVITALIZATION ACT**

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on H.R. 1646, Reserve Forces Revitalization Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Deborah R. Lee, Assistant Secretary, Reserve Affairs; Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Gen. Ronald H. Griffith, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, Army; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Vice Chief, Naval Operations; Gen. Richard D. Hearney, USMC, Assistant Commandant, Marine Corps; Gen. Thomas S. Moorman, Jr., USAF, Vice Chief of Staff, Air Force; and public witnesses.

**NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Readiness held a joint hearing on national defense authorization, with emphasis on Department of Defense and Department of Energy environmental programs. Testimony was heard from Thomas B. Grumbly, Acting Under Secretary, Department of Energy; Sherry W. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary, Environmental Security, Department of Defense; Victor S. Rezendes, Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, GAO; Cindy Williams, Assistant Director, National Security Division, CBO; Jay C. Davis, Associate Director, Environmental Programs, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 29.

**NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Research and Development continued hearings on national defense authorization, with emphasis on ballistic missile defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense:

Kent Stansbury, Deputy Director, Arms Control Implementation and Compliance; Franklin Miller, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Security Police; and Lt. Gen. Malcolm O'Neill, USA, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense Organization; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—ENERGY POLICY

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources continued oversight hearings on energy policy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Kyle Simpson, Associate Deputy Secretary, Energy Programs; and David F. Morehouse, Senior Petroleum Geologist, Energy Information Administration; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Michael Dombeck, Acting Director, Bureau of Land Management; David W. Houseknecht, Program Director for Energy, U.S. Geological Survey; and Thomas Readinger, Deputy Associate Director, Resources and Environmental Management, Minerals Management Service; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—MARINE SANCTUARIES ACT

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on Marine Sanctuaries Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Deutsch; Jeffrey Benoit, Director, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL LANDS AND REGULATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held an oversight hearing on Federal lands and Federal regulation of private property. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Associate Director, Energy Resources and Science Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### GUN CRIME ENFORCEMENT AND SECOND AMENDMENT RESTORATION ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.R. 125, Gun Crime Enforcement and Second Amendment Restoration Act of 1996. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules is considered as adopted. The rule provides for consideration in the House with 1 hour of debate equally divided between Rep. Chapman of Texas or Rep. Barr of Georgia, and Rep. Conyers of Michigan or his designee. The previous question is ordered to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit which, if containing instructions, may only be offered by the Minority Leader or his designee. Testimony was heard from Representatives Barr, Heineman, Shays,

Horn, Christensen, Neumann, Stockman, Conyers, Schumer, Jackson-Lee, and Chapman.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on the fiscal year 1997 budget requests for the following: Department of Energy; EPA and NOAA; and Safe Drinking Water Act reauthorization. Testimony was heard from Joseph F. Vivona, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Energy; D. James Baker, Administrator, NOAA and Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; Robert J. Huggert, Assistant Administrator, Office of Research and Development, EPA; and a public witness.

#### SBA BUDGET

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on the U.S. Small Business Administration Fiscal Year 1997 Budget. Testimony was heard from Philip Lader, Administrator, SBA; and public witnesses.

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

*Committee on Standards of Official Conduct:* Met in executive session to consider pending business.

#### ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET—IMPACT HIGHWAY AND AVIATION TRUST FUNDS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Held a hearing to determine the impact of the Administration's Budget on the highway and aviation trust funds. Testimony was heard from a public witness.

#### WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment continued hearings on the Water Resources Development Act of 1996. Testimony was heard from Representatives Doolittle, Fazio, Matsui, Pombo, Norton, Moran, Hamilton, Miller of California, Tauzin, Hoyer, Coyne, Lipinski, Flanagan, Ortiz, Visclosky, Dornan, Kim, Pallone, Whitfield, Gilchrest, Pastor, Franks of New Jersey, Baker of California, Kingston, Farr, Woolsey, Lincoln, Stupak, Dickey, Seastrand, English of Pennsylvania, Riggs, Weldon of Florida, Bentsen, Ward, LoBiondo, Lofgren, Buyer, and Gene Green of Texas; John H. Zirschky, Principal Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of the Army; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Hospitals and Health Care held an oversight hearing on VA Medical Care and Construction Priorities for Fiscal Year 1997. Testimony was heard from Kenneth Kizer, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Veterans

Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2754, Shipbuilding Trade Agreement Act; and H.R. 2337, Taxpayer Bill of Rights 2.

### AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence met in executive session hearing on Aerial Reconnaissance. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

### 1996 FARM BILL

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2854, to modify the operation of certain agricultural programs.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D220)

H.R. 2778, to provide that members of the Armed Forces performing services for the peacekeeping effort in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina shall be entitled to certain tax benefits in the same manner as if such services were performed in a combat zone. Signed March 20, 1996. (P.L. 104-117)

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Governmental Affairs,* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine global proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, 9 a.m., SD-342.

#### House

*Committee on the Budget,* to continue hearings on the Administration's fiscal year 1997 budget submission, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, oversight hearing on the Department of Energy's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 1997, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight,* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on H.R. 2521, Statistical Consolidation Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995: A One Year Review, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, to mark up H.R. 361, Omnibus Export Administration Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on ethics in government and lobbying reform proposals, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on National Security,* Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to continue joint hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization, with emphasis on the Air Force modernization request, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* to consider Disposition of Senate amendments to H.R. 1833, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1995, 11 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science,* Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on fiscal year 1997 NSF authorization, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

#### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee,* to hold hearings to examine the state of the economy, focusing on whether it is the healthiest economy in three decades, 10 a.m., SD-106.